

## Claims:

1. A composition comprising
  - (a) at least one cationic surfactant having germicidal properties;
  - (b) at least one nonionic surfactant;
  - (c) a chelating agent selected from the group alkali metal, ammonium and substituted ammonium polyacetates, carboxylates, polycarboxylates and polyhydroxysulfonates;
  - optionally (c1) a precipitating builder selected from the group potassium carbonate and potassium oxalate;
  - optionally (d) an effective amount of propellant;
  - (e) water; and
  - (f) optional components selected from coloring agents, fragrances and fragrance solubilizers, viscosity modifying agents, pH adjusting agents and pH buffers including organic and inorganic salts, hydrotropes, anti-spotting agents, anti-oxidants, preservatives, and corrosion inhibitors.
2. The composition according to claim 1 wherein the nonionic surfactant is an alcohol ethoxylate.
3. The composition according to claim 1 wherein the nonionic surfactant is a mixture of alcohol ethoxylate and amine oxide.
4. The compositions according to any one of claims 1 to 3 wherein the (c) chelating agent is selected from sodium, potassium, lithium, ammonium and substituted ammonium salts of ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid, ethylenediaminetriacetic acid, ethylenediaminetetrapropionic acid, diethylenetriaminepentaacetic acid, nitrilotriacetic acid, N-hydroxyethylethylenediaminetriacetic acid, oxydisuccinic acid, iminodisuccinic acid, ethylenediamine disuccinic acid, triethylenetetraaminehexaacetic acid, ethanoldiglycines, propylenediaminetetraacetic acid, methylglycinediacetic acid, N,N,N',N'-tetra(carboxymethyl)-2,6-diaminohexanoic acid, N,N,N',N'-tetra(carboxymethyl)-2,5-diaminopentanoic acid, N,N,N',N'-tetra(carboxymethyl)-2,4-

diaminobutyric acid and 2-hydroxy-3-aminopropionic-N,N-diacetic acid, or a derivative thereof.

5. The compositions according to any one of claims 1 to 4 wherein (c) chelating agent is selected from disodium ethanoldiglycinate and tetrasodium salt of ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid.

6. The compositions according to any one of claims 1 to 5 which contain a propellant.

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7. A composition comprising  
 (a) at least one cationic surfactant having germicidal properties;  
 (b) a nonionic surfactant mixture comprising alcohol ethoxylate and amine oxide;  
 (c) a chelating agent selected from the group alkali metal, ammonium and substituted ammonium polyacetates, carboxylates, polycarboxylates and polyhydroxysulfonates;

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optionally (c1) a precipitating builder selected from the group potassium carbonate and potassium oxalate;

optionally (d) an effective amount of propellant;

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(e) water; and  
 (f) optional components selected from coloring agents, fragrances and fragrance solubilizers, viscosity modifying agents, pH adjusting agents and pH buffers including organic and inorganic salts, hydrotropes, anti-spotting agents, anti-oxidants, preservatives, and corrosion inhibitors.

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8. The compositions according to claim 7 wherein the (c) chelating agent is selected from sodium, potassium, lithium, ammonium and substituted ammonium salts of ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid, ethylenediaminetriacetic acid, ethylenediaminetetrapropionic acid, diethylenetriaminepentaacetic acid, nitrilotriacetic acid, N-hydroxyethylethylenediaminetriacetic acid, oxydisuccinic acid, iminodisuccinic acid, ethylenediamine disuccinic acid, triethylenetetraaminehexaacetic acid, ethanoldiglycines, propylenediaminetetraacetic acid, methylglycinediacetic acid, N,N,N',N'-tetra(carboxymethyl)-2,6-diaminohexanoic acid, N,N,N',N'-tetra(carboxymethyl)-2,5-diaminopentanoic acid, N,N,N',N'-tetra(carboxymethyl)-2,4-

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diaminobutyric acid and 2-hydroxy-3-aminopropionic-N,N-diacetic acid, or a derivative thereof.

9. The compositions according to any one of claims 7 and 8 wherein (c) chelating  
5 agent is selected from disodium ethanoldiglycinate and tetrasodium salt of ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid.

10. The compositions according to any one of claims 7 to 9 which contain a propellant.

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11. The compositions as described in Examples Ex. 1 to Ex. 26.

12. A process for the removal of stains from hard surfaces which comprises the step of applying an effective amount of the composition according to any one of claims 1 to  
15 11 to a hard surface needing such treatment.